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Gas

Output Target, 1947: 97 mill. cbm. Actual Output, 1947: 84.7932 mill. cbm.

5. While exploiting 94% of available installations, the gas industry failed by 13% to reach its output target. Only about 30% of the year's requirements was met. Reconstruction work on destroyed gas works, in particular the Magdeburg gas works, failed to make the necessary progress because of the impossibility of drawing more than 720 tons of iron goods from the West and 90 tons from the Soviet Zone. Rebuilding of furnace battery No. 2 (presumably Magdeburg) was therefore delayed.
6. The failure to utilize all the available capacity was caused by the fact that hard coal supplies from the Western zones were insufficient to meet total requirements. Smaller gas works were closed down temporarily. Good results were achieved by the Halle and Halberstadt gasworks.

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